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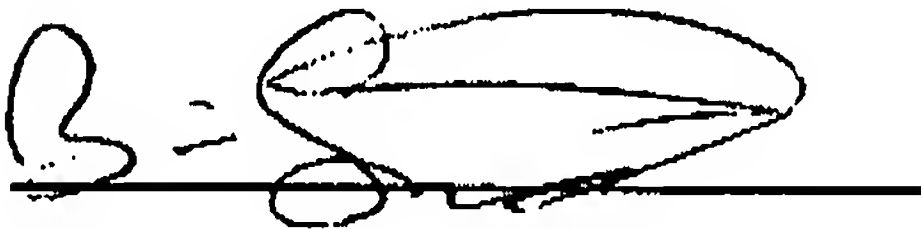
Claim 1 (currently amended): An elongated soft foam projectile, having a cylindrical body composed of resilient soft foamed plastic material; said body having a front portion and a rear portion; said rear portion having at least 2 lightweight foam plastic wings for controlling the orientation of said projectile during flight; said body having an axial bore in said rear portion; an outer tube and an inner tube assembly; said assembly having a front portion and a rear portion; said inner tube having an outside diameter between one and twenty thousandths of an inch less than the inside diameter of said outer tube; said outer tube adapted at said front portion for releasably securing said projectile thereto; said inner tube slidably received in said outer tube such that said inner tube has an exposed portion at the rear of said assembly; said inner tube rendered axially impermeable at said exposed portion, by a handle ~~means~~ permanently secured to said exposed portion; said inner tube manually movable in a rearward direction; ~~an elastic cord~~ a biasing means in said assembly biasing said inner tube in a forward direction; said assembly capable of automatically generating a compressed air stream in said forward direction; said assembly functional as a projectile launcher, with or without being attached to a separate handle ~~means~~.

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In claim 1 of the original application filed on February 23, 2004, lines 18 and 26, the word "means" should be deleted. In claim 1 of the original application filed on February 23, 2004, line 20, the phrase "an elastic cord" should be deleted and the word "a" should be inserted.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Lapointe", is written over a horizontal line.

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